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LEGISLATIVE ACTION

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The Committee on Community Affairs (Bennett) recommended the following:

Senate Amendment (with title amendment)

Delete lines 88 - 98
and insert:

ARTICLE XII
SCHEDULE

SECTION 31. Term limits.—The amendment to Section 4 of Article VI denying ballot access for re-election to any state legislator who will have served, or who but for resignation would have served, in that office for twelve consecutive years, rather than eight consecutive years, shall take effect upon



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12 approval by the voters and shall apply only to those officers
13 whose consecutive years in office begin in November 2010 or
14 thereafter.

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following statement be
16 placed on the ballot:

17 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

18 ARTICLE VI, SECTION 4

19 ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6

20 ARTICLE XII, SECTION 31

21 TERM LIMITS; INCREASED ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICE.—Proposing
22 an amendment to the State Constitution to increase from 8
23 consecutive years to 12 consecutive years the time a person may
24 serve in the office of state senator or state representative
25 before becoming disqualified to appear on the ballot for re-
26 election, with such increase applicable to persons whose
27 consecutive years of office begin in November 2010 or
28 thereafter. The amendment also deletes provisions relating to
29 terms limits for members of the U.S. House of Representatives
30 and U.S. Senators, which provisions have been determined by the
31 U.S. Supreme Court to violate the U.S. Constitution.

32 DISABLED VETERAN'S PROPERTY TAX DISCOUNT.—The State
33 Constitution provides a property tax discount on the homesteads
34 of veterans who became disabled as the result of a combat
35 injury. This proposed amendment expands the availability of the
36 discount to veterans who became disabled as the result of a
37 combat injury, but who were not Florida residents when they
38 entered the military.

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41 And the title is amended as follows:

42 Delete everything before the resolving clause
43 and insert:

44 Senate Joint Resolution

45 A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section 4 of
46 Article VI of the State Constitution, increasing the time a
47 person may serve as state senator or state representative before
48 being disqualified from a consecutive candidacy; and proposing
49 an amendment to Section 6 of Article VII of the State
50 Constitution, to expand the availability of the property tax
51 discount for disabled veterans to veterans who were not Florida
52 residents when they entered the military.